Governments, including Andhra Pradesh, were approached for offer of suitable sites. Government of Andhra Pradesh have offered a few sites, including three in Karimnagar District. These sites have since been visited by a Site Selection Committee and are being evaluated, alongwith others, in accordance with the prescribed procedure.

Reorganisation of All India Radio and Doordarshan

1030. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether schemes for reorganisation of All India Radio and Doordarshan are under Government's consideration to improve the quality of news bulletins and other programmes broadcast and telecast by them; and

(b) what are the proposals regarding extension of transmission time of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) (i) *All India Radio*:—

For improving the news collection system and the quality of news cast, the News Services Division of All India Radio has been strengthened. A number of schemes have also been formulated under the 7th Five Year Plan for improving the contect and quality of programmes of All India Radio.

(ii) *Doordarshan*:—

A Central News Organisation with Regional News Units is being set up for Doordarshan. The objective is to enrich the news content and to develop methods of presentation that are contemporary and attractive.

(b) A Morning Transmission has been introduced from 23-2-87 from 7.30 A.M. to 2.15 A.M.

Criticism of Narora Atomic Power Plant

1031. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a widespread criticism against the Narora Atomic Power Plant, being set up in Uttar Pradesh, to the effect that it would pose a hazard to the surrounding areas and the environment;

(b) if so, whether the above criticism has been considered in all its aspects; and

(c) if so, what are the conclusions, if any, of the study made by experts in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) No, Sir. Some individuals, however, have expresed concern regarding hazards posed to the environment by setting up of the Narora Atomic Power Project.

(b) and (c) All aspects including safety of the plant personnel and general public as well as the impact on environment have been considered in detail prior to the decision on siting of the Narora Atomic Power Project. Government are satisfied regarding the safety features of this project.

Recommendations of Fourth Pay Commission on pensions

1032. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations